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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: TANZANIA PROVIDES DISASTER RELIEF FOR ZAMBIA

1. TANZANIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER TURNED OVER TO PRESIDENT KAUNDA CHECK FOR 400 THOUSAND KWACHA (\$532 THOUSAND) MARCH 7 TO BE USED IN DISASTER RELIEF FOR VICTIMS OF FLOODING IN LUSAKA AREA. IN ACCOMPANYING CEREMONY KAUNDA PAID TRIBUTE TO THE PARTY, GOVERNMENT, PEOPLE AND PRESIDENT OF TANZANIA. HIGH COMMISSIONER IN HIS TURN DESCRIBED GIFT AS A DEMONSTRATION OF TANZANIAN-ZAMBIAN TOGETHERNESS--"YOUR DIFFICULTIES ARE OUR DIFFICULTIES AND I KNOW THAT OUR DIFFICULTIES ARE ALSO YOURS."

2. COMMENT: SIZE OF TANZANIAN EFFORT APPEARS TO BE OUT OF PROPORTION IN TERMS OF THE DISASTER. FLOODING HAS BEEN SEVERE, PEOPLE HAVE BEEN DISPLACED AND THERE HAVE EVEN BEEN A FEW DEATHS; BUT IT IS DIFFICULT TO CHARACTERIZE THE DISASTER AS MAJOR IN NATURE. WE SUSPECT THAT TANZANIANS HAVE SEIZED THIS OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE A STEP DESIGNED TO IMPROVE TANZANIAN-ZAMBIAN RELATIONS STRAINED BY RECENT DISAGREEMENTS OVER DEMURRAGE CHARGES IN DAR AND ON HOW ONE SHOULD PROCEED WITH RHODESIAN SETTLEMENT. WE CANNOT HELP BUT FEEL SURPRISED THAT TANZANIAN GOVERNMENT HAS OVER A HALF MILLION DOLLARS
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